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More Than Political Straws.

The issue is shaping in New York. That independence which was noted in these columns yesterday is more to be noted in the news of today. Eleven Democratic papers of more or less weight have bolted the Hearst nomination outright. The New York Sun and New York Times, both formerly inclined to the belief that a Democrat would be the next governor and the next governor would be the next President, have undertaken to defeat their own prophecy. Mr. Jerome is already active for Mr. Hughes. And Mayor McClellan makes this formal statement:

I recognize the humiliation I must endure in common with other Democrats. Nevertheless I will vote the ticket of my party in this State, but never for William R. Hearst. Him I will not vote for.

On the other side, the union labor Republicans are said to be united on the Democratic candidate. That organization which keeps Republicans regular in the face of the greatest personal grievances may keep the Odell regularly in line, but it can hardly make them work. Even the candidate is not a source of unquestioned strength, for while he is a proven cross-examiner his best friends cannot find in his record a single specific achievement to sustain his election as an executive.

If these circumstances reveal anything it is that the old party lines will count for less in the forthcoming Empire State campaign than special issues raised by defections. Unionism will hold the laborer in firmer control than Republicanism. Socialism will constitute the Hearst strength, not Democracy. Individualism and keen mistrust of the socialist propaganda will be the appealing factor in Hughes' behalf, not the regularity of his nomination or even the endorsement of the President.

By a clear division of forces, the Democratic party in New York is being made the party of radicalism. By the course of circumstances the Republican party there is being made the party of individualism. Mr. Bryan gives national scope to this alignment by an unqualified endorsement of Hearst. The President will do at least as much if, as seems now to be generally expected, he indicates his favor for Hughes. These are more than political straws and they foretell a new division of our voters in spite of the old names.

Proving the Weather Service.

The great storm in the Gulf and Caribbean region has given an excellent demonstration of the effectiveness, accuracy, and practical utility of the Government weather forecasts. It was on last Sunday that the Weather Bureau sent out from this city notifications of the approach of a great tropic storm which was then appearing in the region of the Yucatan channel.

From that time on the bureau sent daily and urgent warnings of the progress of the disturbance. As the storm came within the area of more intimate observation, its characters, severity, and direction were more closely reported. The second day before it struck the coast, special warnings were sent to Gulf points for the guidance of shipping, with the urgent advice that vessels remain in port till after the disturbance. It is already known that many vessels heeded this warning and were without doubt saved because of it.

That the storm would strike the middle Gulf coast with great fury was the notification given two days before it struck. That the city of Pensacola was in especially grave danger, and would be near the center of the most severe disturbance, was announced twenty-four hours before the storm broke over that city.

The weather service, sustaining itself with such fortitude as it can against the flings and arrows of destruction, is entitled to felicitation and recognition for this notable service. It is not untimely to recall that some six years ago the great storm which wrecked Galveston was likewise forecast with similar accuracy and for about the same period. For several days the weather forecasters had that great disturbance in hand, following its progress and reporting on its gathering force and cumulative destructive possibilities.

All these and many other experiences hardly less striking prove constantly the immense usefulness of

the weather service. The area covered by meteorological reports is still a limited one, and the possibilities of the service are limited in like degree. But the field of observation now extends from Edmonton, N. W. T., to far away points in the Caribbean and West Indian regions; and as it has expanded the usefulness and accuracy of the work has grown. Ultimately if plans of the service are made effective the area will be yet greatly extended. The time will come when observations of the entire Northern Hemisphere will be collected daily and used as the forecasting basis.

Dread News From Richmond.

This from Richmond tells its own forbidding story:

Richmond, Va., Sept. 29.—Nearly every colored servant girl and housekeeper in Richmond is now enrolled in the Virginia Housecleaning Company. There are some who have not yet been sworn in, but William Ayres, the manager, is busy trying to secure their signatures to the agreement.

The next move of the organizers will be to take the task of regulating the prices. Good servants are being employed from the concern at high prices, they claim. The combine will be extended to other cities in this State just as soon as the organization is perfected here.

It is all sinister. Nearly every slave in the Virginia capital is enrolled; those who have not taken the oath, defensive and offensive, are neglecting their cook-stoves and dustpans to get their names on the books; wages are to go up with a flare; and the combine is to be extended to other cities in the State as soon as the mistresses of Richmond have been effectively subjugated.

The District should remember as it reads this news that Virginia is only just across the river. What is proving so easy in Richmond may be accomplished only too quickly in Washington. Before any of us know it, our soft-boiled eggs and fried potatoes will have to bear the union imprint or we shall starve.

Our one gleam of hope lies in the material out of which this new combine is to be made. If Miranda and Amella can be taught to co-operate with each other it may be that in the air-caste days of the future they may be taught to co-operate with their nominal employers. That would be something worth paying for. And if they cannot be taught to hang together then the ladies of the house will be as free as they are now to hang separately.

The cloud forbore by this dispatch from Richmond is lowering black, it is true. But it is not without its rift of silver just the same.

Late reports from financial quarters indicate that about all the yeggmen have now secured jobs on the inside, and that they are making their assaults on the banks much more effective.

Judge Parker's secretary has been arrested on charge of bigamy. It will be recalled that the judge's own romance, when he eloped with Miss Democracy, was of such short duration that public opinion never justified proceedings.

Mr. Gourdain's confidence in the perennial character of the sucker crop will doubtless be justified by the development of a good business for his new bank in Chicago.

The President's son is doing what he can to relieve Harvard of the reputation for being a milk-and-water institution.

LAW SCHOOL CONGRESS TO HOLD NIGHT SESSION

Bill to Repeal Constitutional Amendments Will Come Up for Discussion.

Tonight at University Hall, corner Fifteenth and H streets northwest, the George Washington University Congress will hold a session. The subject to be discussed is "House Bill No. 71, Providing That the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments Be Repealed." Mr. Ross, of Tennessee, and Mr. Barrett, of the District, will lead in the argument in favor of the repeal of the amendments, while Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Weeks, of Pennsylvania, will be the principal speakers against the passage of the bill.

Before the opening of the debate on the question proposed Prof. William R. Vance, dean of the law school, will make an address to the members of the Congress and discuss the importance of debating in law school work. Another pleasing feature of the evening's program will be a solo by Phillip Lee Scantling, a member of the law class of 1908, and tenor in the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church.

It is expected that a large number of new students will be present and will become acquainted with the work that is being done by the Congress, and that many visitors from outside the university will also listen to the debate.

CHARTERS FROM CONGRESS.

Congress at the last session passed an unusual number of measures incorporating organizations which have hitherto relied upon State charters, among others the National Council of the United States of the Improved Order of Red Men. The archaeological institute, the child labor committee, and several other associations were incorporated the same way. As corporations these institutions are not a bit better off than if they had a State charter. But it has come to be the fashion to secure national incorporation wherever it is possible and in some cases where it would once have been considered wholly out of place.

KINDLY ONLY TO OUR OWN.

A man ain't got no charity. Nor any mercy neither. For his own favorite sin, when he observes it in a brother. —The Catholic Standard and Times.

IN THE CIRCLE OF SOCIETY.

LENOX INTERESTED IN CRICKET GAME

Sir Henry Mortimer Durand's Team Plays Last Match Today.

OUTDOOR TEAS A FEATURE

New Arrivals Daily Take Places of Those Going to Other Resorts.

The chief social event at Lenox today will be the last scheduled game of Sir Henry Mortimer Durand's cricket team, at Elm Court, the estate of William D. Sloan. Outdoor teas and athletic sports make life a pleasure at Lenox, and though a number of people are leaving for other resorts, new arrivals each day make up for their loss.

There will be some interesting entertaining at Newport for the Austrian Ambassador and Baroness Hengelmüller, who are there with their suite, and the Peruvian Minister and Señora Parodi, who are also staying there temporarily. It is said that the Austrian Ambassador and Baroness Hengelmüller, as well as Baron F. Maynerle, will remain at Newport until the 1st of November.

The naval attaché of the British Embassy and Mrs. Ryan have arrived at their apartment at the Highlands. They have leased the residence of Mrs. Shepard, 205 Columbia road, and will at once take possession. Their charming boys, with their nurses, will arrive here later.

President Neeldham, of the George Washington University, Mrs. Neeldham, and the Misses Neeldham are at the Highlands temporarily.

Miss Ellen Hale has returned to Washington and for the present is occupying the apartments of her brother, Arthur Hale, at the Connecticut, during his absence from the city.

Colonel Pond and Mrs. Pond have returned to the Calvo for the winter, bringing with them for a brief stay a party of friends, including Mr. and Mrs. Bolman and their son.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voorhis, who have been abroad for the summer, have returned to Washington for a week or two before going to New York, where they will make their home this winter.

Last winter Mr. and Mrs. Voorhis occupied an apartment at the Calvo and are staying there temporarily now.

On Wednesday evening last, Miss Irene M. Pistorio left for San Francisco, where she expects to remain for an indefinite period.

Representative and Mrs. Boutell, their son and daughter, and Mrs. Boutell's mother, Mrs. Gates, arrived last evening in Washington from Chicago, having passed the summer in the West.

Mr. and Mrs. Elias Raff and son, Harold Levi, are at the new hotel, the Savoy, Fourteenth and Girard streets.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Oswell, who have occupied a cottage at Loc-Klyn, Md., during the summer, have returned to their home in Wyoming avenue.

Mrs. S. W. Tilton and Miss Estelle Wilkies are at the Mt. Washington, Bretton Woods, for a few days. They are making a trip through the White Mountains.

Thursday evening, September 27, a quiet wedding took place at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. G. Bagelmann, at 224 North street northwest, at 7:30 o'clock, the contracting parties being Miss Wilhelmina G. Halpain and George A. Senasack. Only relatives were present for the ceremony refreshments were served.

The bride was most becomingly dressed in white, with a train of lace, and carried a shower bouquet of white roses. Ed Halpain, brother of the bride, was best man, and Mrs. G. Bagelmann, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Halpain, Ed Halpain, Jr., Henry Halpain, Mrs. A. La Corey, Miss K. La Corey, Mr. and Mrs. L. Grossmann, Mrs. J. Reisinger, and Mrs. G. Bagelmann, Mr. and Mrs. H. Cotton. The bride was the recipient of many useful and handsome presents.

The couple will live at their new home, 610 O street northeast.

Captain Leutz, commandant of the Navy Yard, was host at a breakfast today in compliment to Rear Admiral Call. Captain Mazzanti, of the Italian ship Casano, Lieutenant Pieter, naval attaché of the Italian Embassy, and other officers of the Italian warship Flaminio.

Mrs. S. Y. Goble, of Cincinnati, daughter of Deputy Commissioner of the Internal Revenue Bureau, has returned to her home after an extended visit to her parents in this city.

Mrs. Kate F. Ainsley is visiting friends in the Mohawk Valley, New York State.

Mrs. Sweet has returned to her apartment at the Connecticut after a summer spent mostly at Greenbrier Springs, Va., and Portland, Me.

Mrs. Henry K. Benham and her mother, Mrs. Wm. R. Riley, who occupied apartments at the Rochambeau last winter, will move into new quarters at the Connecticut October 1.

Miss Marie Grace Young, who has spent the last three months visiting her relatives, the Wagnamans and others, in the Green Spring Valley, is the guest of Mrs. Gordon in Georgetown until October 1. Miss Young returned yesterday from New York, where she spent a week with Dr. and Miss Mary Hartman, of Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Lard, who make their home at the Highlands, have returned to Washington for the winter. Mr. Lard is a famous golf player, and they have been traveling around the country to various golf tournaments during the summer.

A surprise party was given to Mrs. William C. Hickman by her friends at her home, 30 L street northwest, Tuesday evening last, it being her birthday anniversary. A very pleasant evening was spent in playing games, after which refreshments were served.



MISS JEAN T. REID, Who Will Be a Prominent Social Figure in Washington This Winter.

Ambassador Reid's Daughter To Spend Season in Capital

Miss Jean T. Reid, the only daughter of the American ambassador to London and Mrs. Whitelaw Reid, has come to this country to remain until the middle of the season, and will be constantly in evidence at the White House during the winter. It is to Miss Reid that much of the popularity of the American embassy is due, and her reign socially at "Brook House," Park lane, London, has been second only to her father's diplomatic career since being placed in his present position.

Miss Reid has for years been an intimate friend of Mrs. Nicholas Longworth—in fact, every member of the Mills family (her mother was Elizabeth Mills) has a deep affection for the President's daughter. One of Mrs. Longworth's favorite places for visiting is at "Ophir Farm," Rye, N. Y., where the Reids instituted each season a long series of famous house parties, of which Mrs. Longworth was frequently a member. Besides this, Miss Reid has frequently been a guest at the White House, and the Ambassador and Mrs. Reid are either the guests of the President and Mrs. Roosevelt when at the Capital or of the President's sister, Mrs. William Sheffield Cowles.

There were frequent rumors abroad of Miss Reid's engagement to foreign noblemen, but nothing materialized. It is said, however, that the long visit of the Reids to this country may be for the purpose of announcing Miss Reid's engagement. She is a magnificent horsewoman, and has many accomplishments, being much admired abroad, being entertained by royalty, and the nobility generally as well as by the notable Americans in London.

Freshmen Furnish Sport For University Seniors

Led Captive Through the Streets Attired in Grotesque Raiment and Scourged With Heavy Torture Sticks.

"How long can this gross and inhuman treatment last?" asked a freshman in tones that were weak, tremulous and not far removed from tears.

"For days or weeks, as we may decide," answered the sophomore, administering carefully delivered blows from a paddle that awoke the echoes. All this occurred in connection with the way the sophomores and seniors of George Washington University last night treated a bunch of the freshmen. The treatment was thorough, although severe, and it consisted of harsh words, bitter reproaches, ludicrous miming and blows from heavy paddles. It was a sad sight for the freshmen. They discovered that the price of learning comes high.

The freshmen, having been ordered to meet the sophomores and seniors at the university building last night, could not find the courage to disobey the mandate. They met. The upper class men grabbed them without ceremony and bound them hand and foot, throwing them into one of the class rooms, where they were left to lie in a neglected and forgotten state until the superiors were ready to march them through the streets.

Finally, under the tutelage of the upper class men, the freshmen dressed themselves in funny looking clothes, had colors and misfit, and bound together with ropes, paraded the town, being guided and propelled by the ever-ready paddles which their "bosses" wielded with great gusto, strength and frequency.

At their bidding the freshmen gave the college yell, sang songs, walked slow or ran fast. The freshmen had no minds of their own. They obeyed orders to the letter. They performed where they could be seen and laughed at by the pedestrians on the streets, for the upper class men liked to show their prowess to the citizens.

Another neophyte, being better able to run than to endure, escaped from the university building and made his way to the streets, where he was caught by his pursuers and was taught the unwisdom of running. He was then taken to the university building and was bound in the same manner as the others. There he was caught by his pursuers and was taught the unwisdom of running. He was then taken to the university building and was bound in the same manner as the others.

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EVENING INSTITUTE AT Y. M. C. A. OPENS

President Woodward and Other Officers Make Brief Addresses to Large Gatherings.

The evening institute for the season of 1906-7, conducted under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association, was opened last night at Y. M. C. A. building under most favorable circumstances. The number of pupils and prospective students present was far in excess of that of last year, and it is confidently expected the number will increase at least 500 before the close of the current season.

COLORED CITIZENS TO DISCUSS SCHOOL

Mass Meeting to Be Held at Nineteenth Street Baptist Church.

School affairs will be discussed Monday night at a mass meeting to be held at the Nineteenth Street Baptist Church. Last night at a meeting of the committee appointed some time ago by the colored citizens' committee, it was decided to call the mass meeting. The Rev. Walter H. Brooks, the Rev. Sylvester L. Carothers, James I. Neal, and the Rev. Edward H. Hunter have been asked to make addresses.

CHILD KILLS CHUM; ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

CENTRAL CITY, Ky., Sept. 29.—After having accidentally shot and killed his four-year-old playmate, Russell Malloy, with a rifle the two had found in a stable, William Hargrave, seven years old, tried to commit suicide yesterday by cutting his throat with a razor.

IN THE BOOK WORLD.

According to Different Poets. It has been said by ignorant and undiscerning would-be critics, writes Carolyn Wells in Harper's for October, that the Limerick is not among the classic and best forms of poetry, and, indeed, some have gone so far as to say that it is not poetry at all.

The tiger came back from the ride. With the lady inside. And the smile on the face of the tiger. If Austin Dobson had chosen to throw off the thing in triplet form:

She went for a ride,
That young lady of Niger;
Her smile was quite wide,
As she went for a ride;
But she came back inside,
With the smile of the tiger!
She went for a ride,
That young lady of Niger.

Rossetti, with his inability to refrain from refrains, might have turned out something like this:

In Niger dwelt a lady fair,
(Bacon and eggs and a bar o' soap)
Who smiled 'neath tangles of her hair,
As her steed began his steady lope,
(You like this style, I hope)

On and on they sped and on,
(Bacon and eggs and a bar o' soap)
On and on they sped and on,
(You see I've not much scope.)

E'en ere lopt the second mile,
The tiger leapt his mouth to ope;
Aho! he halted for a while;
Then went on with a pleasant smile,
(Bacon and eggs and a bar o' soap)

Should Man Live 200 Years? Mrs. Henderson, in her volume, "The Anatomy of Health," takes up the question of longevity.

"Life is too short for the attainment of highest purposes," she says. "The season is ended before the natural harvest is begun. In a life of fifty years, twenty are spent in sleep. The first twenty-five are simply preparatory—learning how to live. Five years out of fifty are spent in that famous occupation alleged by a French officer as his cause for suicide. On his prostrate form was found a paper on which was written the reason for his weariness of life—he was tired of 'buttoning and unbuttoning.'"

"Ten years out of fifty are consecrated to the nourishment of the inner man—the time for eating and drinking. Not that any of these duties are unpleasant—quite the contrary; yet, all the same, they consume the years, and how much time is left for contributing to the world? In the majority of human lives such time is never reached."

Full 20 years Mrs. Henderson believes are clearly our due, and she quotes a number of scientists—Oswald, Virchow, Nicola Tesla, and others, who hold similarly well in conclusion. Mrs. Henderson gives seven admirable rules for prolonging life.

Named After Mrs. Deland. The publishers of Margaret Deland's "Old Chester Tales," "The Lavender People," and "The Awakening of Helena Ritchie," who have been seriously at a loss, at times, how to reply to those correspondents who have written them to make inquiries regarding the location of Mrs. Deland's imaginary town, "Old Chester," and its possibilities as a quiet summer resort are doubtful.

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ACCUSE JAP SHIP OF REFUSING AID

Officers of Stranded Steamer Mongolia Make Serious Charges.

HONOLULU, Sept. 29.—The officers and passengers of the stranded steamer Mongolia report that the Japanese training ship, Anegawa, deliberately abandoned them, and that Purser Remba was roughly ordered off the Anegawa, while begging assistance.

The Anegawa officers say the story is false, that they rendered every assistance in their power. They say they lost all their provisions while trying to give assistance, and that the vessel was short of coal. The Anegawa reports that the steamer, Buford, and Enquels arrived the next day with the proper tackle and the passengers were transferred safely.

DAHLIA EXHIBITION BY FLORISTS' CLUB

An exhibition of dahlias will be held on Tuesday afternoon from 2 to 7 o'clock in Scottish Rite Hall, G street, between Tenth and Eleventh streets northwest. The show will be under the auspices of the Florists' Club of Washington and will be notable. Included in the collection of plants are 100 of the rarest varieties of dahlias. There will be five flowers of each, making in all an exhibition of 500 plants.

It was originally intended to hold the show exclusively for members of the Florists' Club, but the interest always manifested by the general public in an exhibition of this kind has led the committee in charge to invite the general public to view the collection.

WONDERFUL FAMILY RECORD.

A family festival was celebrated at Begato, in Lithuania, a short time ago which was out of the ordinary. A peasant couple reached the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding. All their descendants gathered about them for the occasion. It was a goodly gathering. The children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren to the second generation numbered 200 persons—eighty of them babies—and there is recorded the almost incredible fact that the family has not known a single death since the auspicious event fifty years ago from which it sprang.

CHURCH CONVENTION TO MEET AT VIENNA

The annual missionary convention of the "Church of Christ, Missionaries in Maryland," the District of Columbia and Delaware, which is attended by more than a hundred delegates, will meet October 1 to 4 in the Antioch church near Vienna, Va.

The Rev. Peter Ainslie, of Baltimore, the president of the society, the Rev. S. Hove of Beaver Creek, Maryland, the secretary, the Rev. B. A. Abbott, of Baltimore, the Rev. H. C. Kendrick of Hagerstown, Dr. F. D. Power of Washington, the Rev. W. J. Wright, formerly of Washington, now corresponding secretary of the American Christian Missionary Society, and the Rev. S. T. Willis of New York, are among the speakers who are expected to have a place on the program.